# Headmaster's Newsletter

Summerhill Infant School **ISSUE 01** Term 5



#### Term 5

**Picture: Jungle Astronaut** 

Term has started and we

hope you enjoyed the Easter break and celebrating Eid . You will also receive the Year Group Newsletters which will tell you of any forthcoming visits and give you lots of ideas in supporting and enriching your child's learning at school.

Year 2 will not be taking SATS this year as they are no longer a statutory requirement. Year 1 and some Year 2 children will be taking the Phonic Screening Check later in the year.

We are looking forward to giving our first concerts in recorders and djembes (African drumming) in the coming weeks. Reception enjoyed a visit from Bristol Outreach Zoo and met some exotic minibeasts.

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#### **After School Clubs**

There are lots of Clubs running this term: Girls Football, Dance, Multi-Sports Yr1 & Yr2, Gardening, and Gym Club.

#### **Staff News**

This term we said goodbye to Miss Davies (Muller) and welcome to Mrs Cripps. We are wishing Mrs Tiley a speedy recovery for her knee injury.

### **Stay Safe**

There has been lots on the news about esafety and making sure our young children are not playing inappropriate games like Fortnight, GTA or going into online chatrooms or using social media unaccompanied. Most games have a PEGI rating which helps Parents/Carers.

# **Be Healthy**

Healthy Me

## Packed Lunch Days

As a special treat we are encouraging children to have an outdoor picnic with their class look out for class details.

# **Enjoy and Achieve**

Reception will be on learning about minibeasts.

Year 1 are busy learning about Going Green.

Year 2 are learning about Space and have a visit booked to Filton Air Museum.

A family trip will all help the children find out more about their topics, take a camera and notepad to help them remember the experience.

I hope you enjoy finding out what your child has learnt at school each day. If you need further suggestions for support please speak to your Child's Class Teacher.







#### **Positive Contribution**

# Friends of Summerhill Infants (FOSI)

FOSI had a great end of term event at Easter. Thank you for your help and support. They are planning a summer Fayre. Can you help out? Get in touch via the School Office.

Remember the more support they have the more activities they can plan and achieve with the children.

#### **Charity Work**

Look out for information about our next fundraiser.



# Stop Press.....

#### **House Competitions**

Congratulations to Mars House who won the House Cup last term.



#### Allotment

We will be busy in the allotment area of school planting lots of vegetables, salad plants and companion flowers for the pollinators. Look at the growth over the past few weeks! **Current House Cup Scores** 

Mercury 4125 HP

Neptune 4696 HP

Saturn 3215HP

Jupiter 4147 HP

Venus 3566HP

Mars 4692 HP

Total 24,441 HP





Our fundraising project has almost reached its target — a geographical global wall art installation on the long corridor to the hall.



# **Volunteers**

Q: Can you help the school by listening to the children read their key words?

If you can spare a morning or afternoon to come and help in school then the answer is YES. Please see the Office about helping in school.

'Rise to each challenge—Shine with success'



Picture: Hall display of Year group work in Term 4.

#### School Council Minutes

School Councillors listened to Pupil Voice and created a playground games booklet more information can be found on the website.



Penalty Notices may be used when a Parent/Carer takes their child on holiday during term without authorisation from the school.

Holidays in term time are not authorised. In exceptional circumstances ask permission from the Headmaster and check the school policy.

#### Governors' Message

Dear Parents,

We realise as governors you have not heard from us in a while, so we would like to update you on what we have been up to recently.

We were very proud of the way the whole school performed during the OFSTED inspection last year - but continue to look at how the school can improve especially in the areas highlighted by the inspection. This involves governors looking at how the school is progressing against its improvement plan goals.

Recently we had a 'Governors Day' where we had the privilege to see the school in action - visiting class rooms and spending some time with teachers looking at the strategies being put in place to meet the goals. It has been wonderful to see the school really embrace the opportunity to continue to grow in these areas. We have also been working with the school to look at how to best invest money into its fabric. This covers projects such as the improvements to the Year 2 playground last year and projects supporting the long-term sustainability of the school - such as increasing our solar coverage to reduce ever growing energy costs, but also reducing the schools environmental impact.

We have welcomed two new governors (Sam and Joanie) and will be looking to recruit further governors in the future. If this is something you'd like to get involved in then do please ask at the school office for more information.

#### **Headteacher's Newsletter**

#### **Brain Teaser 3**

What type of cheese is made backward?

Answer: Edam

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